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As a charter member I have watched CFNC grow from an idea that five people shared in early 1952 to an organization today over 400 strong. Our strength derives from the philosophy that chess is a game for all, the beginner as well as the expert. To provide for the active participation of the beginner - who has interest but finds opportunities for competition limited - is an objective we must continue to emphasize. Encourage the novice and he will soon give the upper class player some real competition.

On this occasion of the election of new officers in your organization it is well to review our basic goals: 1) To promote the organization of clubs and groups within CFNC and organize friendly inter-club matches and activities; 2) To provide for frequent tournaments and exhibitions where players of all classes can get together for some real chess enjoyment; - already plans are well under way for the "biggest and best" tournament yet this coming fall; 3) To provide a publication that will be interesting and instructive, giving the latest chess news, match and tournament results, ratings, annotated games, etc. - specific action is now under way for an improvement in our official organ, "Chess in Action"; 4) To furnish a resource facility for those who need assistance with their chess problems, and 5) To increase our ranks and present a united front for chess that will rank second to none. To work for these objectives I, and your other new officers, pledge ourselves earnestly.

But we need your help. CFNC belongs to its members. Your suggestions and ideas will always be appreciated and will be given prompt and careful consideration. Let us hear from you.

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Sincerely yours,
Jens L. Lund
President

SPRING CHESS FESTIVAL

Ben Zeiler of San Francisco won the first Spring Tournament sponsored by Chess Friends of Northern California by defeating Robert Dickinson of Redwood City in the final round. It was Ben's first victory of some importance and it shows that our youngsters are coming to the forefront. This is due to the fact that CFNC is setting its goal on having more tournaments for its members all the time, and by putting emphasis on our youngsters, it is helping to put Chess on the map in Northern California! The Spring Tournament was a successful event in spite of the fact that a day before its start San Francisco had its worst earthquake since 1906.

Dan McLeod of San Bruno deserved winning the Trophy in the B division and Colonel L. J. Fuller of Palo Alto was best in the C division. He also won a special trophy donated by A. Radinsky of Stockton for the shortest game. A win in seven moves.

Our special Sunday four-man tournament met with success and the Junior had 12 youngsters under 14 participating.

Once again the help rendered by Mesdames Florence Stevens, Lee Pattullo and Leah Koltanowski, Charles McGinley, William Stevens and Henry King (Signs) was invaluable. A special vote of thanks goes to Mr. Edward A. Eggers, superintendent of James Allan & Sons, San Francisco, who donated meat products which were raffled off, the proceeds of which went to the Chess for Youth Fund. The Sterling Furniture Company donated a gift. The Red Cross allowed us the use of its Cafeteria and the Committee of CFNC is indebted to the Red Cross for its kind hospitality.

Next important event: THE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES Co-sponsored by CFNC and the United States Chess Federation, (See special announcement) from July 8 - 14 in San Francisco; the SEVENTH ANNUAL CHESS FESTIVAL in SONOMA (See special announcement) and our first AUTUMN OPEN CHESS FESTIVAL on September 21 - 22 in San Francisco. (More on that in our next issue!!!)

Here follows the full result of the Spring Chess Festival:

A Group

1.	Ben Zeiler	5
2.	Mike Predoff	4
3.	Robert Dickinson	4
4.	Henry King	4
5.	Steve Joplin	3½
6.	Mansur Saca	3½
7.	William Stevens	3½
8.	Ronald Thacker	3½
9.	Don Taggart	3
10.	Claude Scheuerman	3
11.	Eric Brent	3
12.	Chester Gall	3
13.	Dr. Ben Gross	2½
14.	James Schmerl	2½
15.	Harold Edelstein	2½
16.	Ralph Lamon	2½
17.	Arthur Wang	2
18.	Norman Morey	2
19.	David Hardy	2
20.	William Rebold	2
21.	Louis Tomori	2
22.	Carl Hueke	1½
23.	Milo Nekvasil	1½
24.	Heinz Loewy	1
25.	William Haines	1
26.	Robert Byrne	1
27.	Alex Parvu	0
28.	Mel Carter	0
29.	E. Edward Rupp	0

B Group

1.	Dan McLeod	4½
2.	Leonard Hill	4
3.	William Joplin	4
4.	Norman Buder	4
5.	Louis Osternig	3½
6.	Amos Knack	3½
7.	Roy Hoppe	3
8.	Robert Gieger	3
9.	Leighton Allen	3
10.	Peter Cleghorn	3
11.	John Van Tielen	3
12.	Rudy Duering	3
13.	A. Castellanos	3
14.	David Bogdanoff	2½
15.	William Wolff	2½
16.	Elena Daniloff	2½
17.	Wes Nelson	2
18.	Leslie Wheeler	2
19.	E. Bartholomew	2
20.	John Carson	2
21.	L. Rosenstein	1½
22.	Douglas Willis	1½
23.	William Rawley	1
24.	C. Hathway	1
25.	John Lasich	1
26.	Dr. J. Robinson	1
27.	Quentin Isely	0

C Group

1.	Lawrence Fuller	4½
2.	Stan Shapiro	4½
3.	David Krause	4
4.	George La Brash	4
5.	Carl Barton	3½
6.	Ben Wong	3
7.	A. Radinsky	3
8.	Ted Smith	3
9.	Morley Cox	3
10.	John Rexinger	3
11.	Don Dalessi	3
12.	Louis Ingram	3
13.	Robert Turner	2½
14.	Calvert Cottrell	2½
15.	Don Sutherland	2
16.	Leonard Edwards	2
17.	John Kreft	2
18.	William Moyer	2
19.	Arden Hill	2
20.	Charles Crayne	1½
21.	Lowell Tullis	1
22.	Embree Reynolds	1
23.	Don Nance	0
24.	Richard Finnegan	0
25.	Norman Worth	0

Four Man Sections

1. John Akins
2. Rolland Fournier
3. Gordon Cleaveland
4. Mariam Schwartz

1. William Pattullo
2. Emile Raynal
3. Jerry Schloemer
4. Mrs. Bartholomew

1. E. T. Dana
2. David Jacobson
3. Carl Spitz
4. John Brown

1. N. Newcomer
2. J. P. White
3. M. Kramer
4. B. Burford

Juniors (12 players)

1. Allan Haley
2. Janet Pattullo
3. Ivan Vegvary
4. Michael Cooper

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The results of the Bay Area Industrial Chess League final standings are as follows:

	Points
1. U.C. Radiation Laboratory Berkeley	52
2. Shell Development	51
3. Pacific Gas & Elect. Co.	48½
4. Livermore Chess Club	45½
5. Fluorescent Fixtures	43½
6. California Research Corp.	39½
7. Bank of America	31
8. Crockett Club	25½
9. Kaiser Engineering	16½
10. Standard Oil Home Office	7

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GAMES

SMALL SELECTION FROM THE SPRING CHESS FESTIVAL

White: Parvu
Black: Hardy

1.P-K4	P-QR3	17.B-B2	R-B2	34.K-N1	P-N4
2.P-Q4	P-QN4	18.QR-Q1	B-Q4	35.K-B2	K-N2
3.N-KB3	B-N2	19.P-QN3	QR-B1	36.P-N3	P-KR4
4.B-Q3	N-KB3	20.P-KB4	QRxP	37.K-K3	K-N3
5.P-K5	N-Q4	21.PxN	RxB(B2)	38.K-Q4	P-QN5
6.0-0	P-K3	22.NxR	RxRch	39.R-R4	P-N6
7.QN-Q2	P-QB4	23.RxR	Q-B2	40.R-N4	B-Q4
8.P-QB3	B-K2	24.Q-R6	QxN	41.K-B5	K-B4
9.N-K4	PxP	25.Q-R3	B-B4	42.K-Q6	P-QR4
10.NxP	0-0	26.BxB	QxBch	43.R-N5	P-QR5
11.Q-N4	P-B4	27.K-R1	Q-QB7	44.KxP	P-R6
12.PxPe.p.	NxKBP	28.Q-N4	QxRP	45.RxB	PxR
13.NxNch	RxN	29.Q-N3	Q-K7	46.P-K6	P-N7
14.Q-R5	P-N3	30.Q-B2	QxQ	47.P-K7	P-N8=(Q)
15.Q-R3	N-B3	31.RxQ	BxP	48.P-K8=(Q)	Q-N4ch
16.B-K3	N-K4	32.R-B3	B-Q4	49.Resigns	
		33.R-QR3	B-N2		

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White: Gall
Black: Taggart

1.P-Q4	P-Q4	8.0-0	P-QB4	14.BxB	QxB
2.P-QB4	P-K3	9.R-B1	B-N2	15.P-Q5	N-B5
3.N-QB3	N-KB3	10.Q-B2	QPxP	16.K-R1	Q-R5
4.B-N5	QN-Q2	11.BxP	BxN	17.Q-K4	N-B3
5.N-B3	B-K2	12.PxB	PxP	18.Q-K5	N(3)-R4
6.P-K3	0-0	13.PxP	N-R4	19.PxP?	Q-R6
7.B-Q3	P-QN3			20.Resigns	

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White: Rawley
Black: Wood

1.P-K4	P-K3	6.N-N5	BxBch	11.P-QN4	PxP
2.P-Q4	P-Q4	7.QxB	N-K2	12.PxP	Q-B2
3.N-QB3	B-N5	8.N-Q6ch	K-B1	13.Q-B3	N-Q2
4.P-K5	P-QB4	9.PxP	NxP	14.QxNPch	KxQ
5.B-Q2	QN-B3	10.B-Q3	P-QN3	15.Resigns	

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White: Nelson
Black: Castellanos

1.N-KB3	N-KB3	6.P-K4	B-N2	11.Q-Q2	Q-K2
2.P-KN3	P-QN3	7.N-B3	0-0	12.B-N5	N-Q5
3.B-N2	B-N2	8.N-K1	P-K4	13.P-K5	QxP
4.0-0	P-N3	9.P-B4	PxP	14.BxN	BxB
5.P-Q3	P-Q3	10.BxP	N-B3	15.BxB and wins	

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GAMES (Cont'd.)

White: W. Stevens
Black: H. Edelstein

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

1.P-Q4	N-KB3	9.NxKP	N-Q4	16.P-KB4	P-KB4(f)
2.N-KB3	P-KN3	10.B-R6	BxB(d)	17.P-R5	Q-B2
3.N-B3	B-N2(a)	11.QxB	NxN	18.R-R3	Q-N2
4.P-K4	P-Q3	12.PxN	B-N2	19.PxP	QxQ(g)
5.B-KB4	0-0	13.B-Q3(e)	N-Q2	20.RxQ	PxP
6.Q-Q2	P-QR3(b)	14.P-KR4	NxN	21.RxPch	K-R2(h)
7.P-KR3	P-QN4	15.PxN	Q-Q4	22.R-N5	P-K3
8.P-K5(c)	PxP			23.K-B2	Resigns(i)

(a) Prefer 3...P-Q4 here. (b) Seeks counter-play on the Queen's side, even before White has castled that side. Better would be 6...R-K1. (c) White changes tactics. More usual would be 8.B-Q3 or 8.P-B3. (d) 10...P-KB3; chasing the W. Kinght from its stronghold was best. (e) Well played. The K-side attack will do the trick. (f) After 16...QxNP; 17.0-0-0 and P-R5 should decide. (g) First 19...PxP was needed. (h) Leads to mate, but after K-B2; 22.BxP, it doesn't look good either. (i) R-R1 mate cannot be avoided. Bill Stevens in fine form!

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White: H. Edelstein
Black: B. Zeiler

FRENCH DEFENSE

1.P-K4	P-K3	6.B-KN5	0-0	10.0-0?	P-B5
2.P-Q4	P-Q4	7.Q-B2(b)	P-KR3	11.B-R7ch	K-B1
3.PxP	PxP	8.B-R4	P-QB4	12.B-B5	BxB
4.B-Q3	B-Q3	9.N-K2	R-K1	13.BxN	QxB
5.P-QB3(a)	N-KB3			14.Resigns.	

(a) Prefer 5.N-K2 here. (b) Forces his opponent to make the best moves. N-K2 and 0-0 was best here.

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White: D. Taggart
Black: H. King

FOUR-KNIGHTS

1.P-K4	P-K4	6.P-QR3	PxP	10.0-0?	NxN
2.N-KB3	N-KB3	7.NxPK4	BxBch	11.PxN	QxQ
3.N-B3	N-B3	8.QxB	B-N5	12.NxQ	BxB
4.P-Q3(a)	B-N5	9.B-K2	0-0	13.KR-K1	B-R4
5.B-Q2	P-Q4			14.Resigns.	

(a) Not the best. 4.B-N5 is usual here.

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White: A. Wang
Black: L. Tomori

1.P-K4	P-K3	11.NxB	QxN	20.Q-R5	B-B2
2.P-Q4	P-Q4	12.B-K3	Q-R4ch	21.Q-N4	Q-B2
3.N-Q2	P-QB4	13.P-B3	0-0	22.N-B4	P-KR4
4.KPxP	KPxP	14.0-0	P-KR3	23.NxRP	BxN
5.B-N5ch	N-B3	15.P-KR3	QR-B1	24.QxB	R-K3
6.Q-K2ch	B-K3	16.KR-Q1	P-QR3	25.QxP	R-K1
7.KN-B3	Q-N3	17.B-Q4	N-K5	26.R-K1	K-B1
8.PxP	BxP	18.N-K5	P-B3	27.P-B3	R-Q3
9.BxNch	QxB	19.N-N6	KR-K1	28.Q-KR5	R3-K3
10.N-N3	N-B3			29.RxN	Resigns

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PORTRAIT OF THE NEW WORLD CHAMPION

World Chess Champion Strolls Mile an Hour Between Moves -- MOSCOW, April

Vassily Smyslov walked a mile an hour for 100 silent hours to become the new world chess champion.

A tall, gangly man, he paced the length and width of the Tchaikovsky Concert Hall stage between moves of his games against Mikhail Botvinnik in the series, which he clinched tonight. Botvinnik had held the title for ten years. If for the moment his strategic position on the board was good, his thoughts, as he strolled, were "almost lyrical" as befits a baritone whose ambition still is to appear on that stage in the role of a singer.

When his position was bad, his thoughts were devastating. "Why did I ever start playing chess?" he repeatedly would ask himself.

Smyslov played his first game at the age of 6 in 1927. His father, one of Russia's leading chess strategists, had taught the boy the basic rules, and arranged regular handicap encounters, the father spotting his son "quite a few pieces."

For perhaps another year, young Vassily was a carefree lad with merely a playful interest in the game. One day, however, Vassily's uncle, whom he recalls as also "a pretty good player," spoke the magic words during a non-handicap match: "I resign."

Vassily's reward for that victory was a book entitled "My Best Matches" by A. A. Alyekyn. It was inscribed "To the Future Champion" and it roused the boy.

However, Vassily still had six more years before he was seized by the compulsion to become a champion. That was the day when his father, now playing with all the pieces, suddenly shuffled the chessmen on the board, and so ruined a game. Not a word was spoken, but young Smyslov knew he had beaten his first master.

A year later, at the age of 14, Vassily was entered in a tournament.

He trained at one of the after-school centers for uniformed Soviet youth in Moscow. For the next three years he read every available book about chess.

By playing hundreds of games each year, young Smyslov developed what he calls "a mystic or creative approach to chess."

His feverish desire to experiment conquered even his ambition, and Soviet commentators who have watched him over the years note that he often suffered defeat simply because he experimented.

The challenge of chess, as Smyslov defines it, lies in the ideas that are generated by the contrary intentions of two players. The players, he maintains, "should strive for paths that will move chess forward, and release it from the elements of dogmatism alien to the Soviet chess school."

The encirclement of the other man's king, of course, remains the supreme object of chess. Smyslov's idealized approach does not cloud his fierce application to the task at hand. But his remarkable self-control and endurance during a match unquestionably stem from his subdued ambition. His apparent indifference has unnerved many an opponent.

PORTRAIT (Cont'd.)

Smyslov's first try at the world title was against Botvinnik three years ago. They split twenty-four games, leaving Botvinnik as champion.

"That was no tragedy as it might have been for someone else," says Smyslov. "I don't expect more from fate than it gives me."

In the twenty-four-game series just clinched by Smyslov, he gained an early lead and found the champion smarting under the assault.

With two men serving as seconds -- a tactical and a theoretical coach -- Smyslov each day planned attacks that would yield the initiative to him. He moved in half the time of his opponent and paced, paced, paced. He would shake his shock of red hair and tug confidently, once after each move, at his double-breasted suit.

The pressure on Botvinnik never ceased and long before the end of the two-month match, the champion was a depressed man.

As one of the Soviet Union's prize possessions, Smyslov lives with his wife and her 18-year-old son in a pleasant Moscow apartment.

Because of his continuing music training, he is listed as a student, but his income is derived from exhibition chess matches and the sale of books on chess. Smyslov tries hard to elude challenges from his stepson, and often leaves home for some skiing, swimming or fishing.

However, he admits chess has become part of his existence. The growing popularity of the game, he feels, justifies his devotion to it as a career.

Smyslov explains the supremacy of Soviet chess players by saying they all learn from common traditions and from each other. Some Americans maintain it can be attributed more to a subsidy by the Russian Government. This makes it possible for a full time study of the game.

The new champion says he is eager to meet the best player in the world in order to promote ideas for the game.

He doesn't expect a woman to be among his challengers because, he says, she would find it impossible to sit in silence for five hours a day.

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MEMBERS ANNOTATE!!

Hats off to Phil Foley! Here are two games he sent in. He lost them both! The notes are his. Here's hoping more members will forward their games for publication - be they wins, losses or draws!

Board 1

White: R. Goodwin (Morphy Red)
Black: P. Foley (Euwe)

1.P-Q4	N-KB3
2.N-KB3	P-Q4
3.P-K3	P-B4
4.P-B3	QN-Q2
5.B-Q3	P-KN3
6.O-O	B-N2
7.QN-Q2	O-O
8.PxP	NxP
9.B-B2	P-N3
10.R-K1	B-N2
11.N-Q4	P-K4
12.N4-N3	Q-B2
13.P-B3	KR-Q1
14.Q-K2	QR-B1
15.NxN	PxN
16.P-K4	P-B5
17.Q-B2	B-B1
18.K-R1	P-Q5
19.P-QN3	PxNP
20.BxP	QxP
21.N-B4	QxR
22.B-N2	QxRch
23.QxQ	N-Q2
24.Q-N3	B-N2?

(24....R-B4 was necessary)

25.N-Q6	N-B4
26.BxPch?	

(26.NxP seems much stronger)

26. ...	K-B1
27.NxR	KxB
28.NxP	P-Q6

(28....R-QR1 allows White a probable draw after 29.BxP,RxN (or 29....PxB; 30.Q-B7ch,K-N1; 31.QxN); 30.BxN)

29.Q-K1	P-Q7
30.Q-Q1	N-Q6??

(Black is having hallucinations, thinking that the exchange which follows leave him a piece ahead for two pawns. Instead, B-QR3 wins outright.)

31.QxP	N-B7ch
32.QxN	R-Q8ch
33.Q-N1	RxQch
34.KxR	

and White won in 58 moves.

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White: N. Guinasso (Staunton Black
Black: P. Foley (Euwe) Board 1

1.P-K4	P-QB4
2.N-KB3	N-QB3
3.B-K2	P-K4
4.P-QB3	N-B3
5.Q-R4	P-QR3
6.P-Q3	P-QN4
7.Q-B2	P-Q4
8.O-O	B-K2
9.P-QR4	B-N2
10.QN-Q2	O-O
11.R-Q1	R-B1
12.N-B1	Q-N3
13.N-N3	P-B5?

(better was 13....KR-Q1)

14.PxQP	PxQP
15.QxP	

(15.BxP allows 15....N-QN5)

15....	KR-Q1
16.B-K3	B-B4
17.PxP	RxP
18.BxB	QxB
19.Q-B5	RxRch
20.RxR	PxP
21.N-N5	N-K2
22.Q-Q3	B-B3
23.N-R5	P-K5?

(....N-N3 was necessary)

24.NxNch	PxN
25.NxKP	Q-B4?
26.B-N4!	

(Obviously the Bishop cannot be taken, but the main point is 26....QxN (26....BxN; 27.BxQ,BxQ; 28.BxR); 27.QxQ,BxQ; 28.BxR,NxB; 29.R-Q8ch, winning easily)

26.....	Q-N3
27.BxR	NxB
28.Q-Q8ch	K-N2
29.N-N3	Q-B7
30.N-R5ch	K-N3
31.P-KN4	N-K2

(positively forced)

32.R-K1	Q-R5
33.P-B4	

(33.P-R3 would have denied Black the counterplay which he now gets, but the text is sufficient)

MEMBERS ANNOTATE (Cont'd.)

33..... Q-B7
(From this point until White's 36th move, Black was under the illusion that White had no adequate defense)
34.P-B5ch K-N4
35.P-R4ch KxRP
(35....KxNP offers more fight, but White ought to win anyway after 36.NxPch)
36.N-B4 N-N1
(Black is stunned after realizing that his mate is gone, but his game appears hopeless anyhow)
37.QxN Q-Q7
38.QxPch KxP
39.Q-R3ch K-N4
40.Q-R5ch Resigns.

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The following game, in the Friends of Northern California team tournament, occurred in the match between Los Altos (White) and Los Gatos teams. It has several rather unusual features: Neither king is attacked or exposed to attack until very late in the game.
The pieces remain even throughout. There are no sacrifices or subtile combinations.
Just a whittling away at pawns until enough fall to show a lost game.

It might be called a "Game of Falling Pawns". It seems like a safe, though unspectacular, way for Black to respond to the opening--just maintaining a rather safe position while seeking to undermine White's pawn structure--and then, when the pawns begin to fall, exchanging pieces to hasten the final outcome. It is, of course, just amateur play, but seems rather instructive, especially the manner in which the first advantage is obtained and held.

--Dallas Burch, Los Altos

White: Virgil Mitchell, Los Gatos
Black: Dallas Burch, Los Altos
IRREGULAR
1.N-KB3 N-QB3
2.P-KN3
(Better is 2.P-Q4 immediately)
2..... N-KB3
3.P-Q4 P-Q4
4.B-N2 B-B4
5.B-B4 P-K3
6.P-QR3 B-K5
(Seems like a loss of time. The Bishop is much better placed where he is.)
7.QN-Q2
(Simply 7.0-0 avoids all possible pitfalls. Black now makes a combination that should have given White the far better game.)
7..... NxP
8.NxB NxNch
9.BxN
(Why not 9.PxP? If then 9...PxN; 10.PxP, and White's game is preferable: control of the center and two bishops)
9..... PxN
10.B-N2 B-Q3
11.B-KN5 P-B3
12.0-0
(Why not 12.BxP? Because of 12...Q-R4ch; 13.B-Q2,Q-K4, etc.)
12..... Q-B2
13.Q-Q4
(With 13.PxN,PxB; 14.BxP, White has nothing to fear.)
13..... B-K4
14.Q-N4 N-Q4
15.Q-N3 P-KR3
16.B-B1 N-B3
17.Q-K3 Q-N3
18.Q-Q2 R-Q1
19.Q-K1 0-0
20.R-N1 R-Q2
21.B-K3 B-Q5
22.Q-N4 QxQ
23.PxQ BxB
24.PxB R-Q7
(It's easy sailing after this. A rook on the seventh is always strong.)
25.R-B4 RxBP
26.BxP NxB
27.RxN RxKP
28.R-R1 R-Q1
29.R-KB4 RxNP
30.RxQP R-Q8ch
31.R-B1 RxRch
32.KxR RxNP
Resigns

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Chess Friends of Northern California Ratings as of May 18, 1957.
This list includes February and March Tournaments as well as all matches played in Winter Schedule.

CLASSIFICATIONS:

E-------Expert.....2000 and up
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Abel, Dr. M.....1900
Akins, J.....1622
Albritton, T.....1650
Allen, L.....1762
Ambrose, L.....1608
Anders, E.....1814
Anderson, L.....1622
Anderson, R.....1694
Anderson, S.....1652
Applegate, S.....1526
Ausmus, R.....1638
Ayer, M.....1310
Baggett, N.....1536
Barber, L.....1470
Barthel, C.....1532
Bartholomew, E....1654
Bartholomew, M....1544
Barton, C.....1626
Bejack, W.....1550
Bellinger, D.....1680
Bellmont, D.....1620
Bergman, C.....1888
Bigelow, G.....1502
Bignami, L.....1686
Blakemore, R.....1620
Boarman, H.....1466
Boehme, R.....1622
Bogdanoff, D.....1718
Brannin, J.....1504
Brarens, G.....1706
Bredoff, M.....1966
Brent, E.....1892
Brieger, R.....2012
Bristow, J.....1900
Brown, C.....1710
Brown, L.....1640
Buder, N.....1858
Bullockus, Dr. T..1830
Bullwinkle, H.....2012
Burch, D.....1828
Button, R.....1468
Byrne, R.....1768

Carson, J.....1636
Carter, B.....1573
Carter, M.....1856
Carter, Melville.1724
Castellano, W....1662
Castellanos, A...1738
Chapman, C.....1598
Chapman, K.....1836
Chappell, A.....1954
Chroninger, R....1564
Clarke, S.....1542
Cleaveland, G....1526
Cleghorn, P.....1804
Conness, J.....1472
Cook, J.....1718
Cooper, M.....1482
Cordes, C.....1536
Costelli, F.....1540
Cottrell, C.....1520
Cox, D.....1546
Craig, J.....1704
Crayne, C.....1334
Cummings, F.....2088
Cuneo, E.....1864
Cuneo, R.....2020
Dalessi, D.....1644
Dana, E.T.....1882
Daniloff, E.....1636
Deichler, H.....1500
DeLozier, J.....1580
DeVote, E.....1688
Dickinson, R.....2100
Dickstein, Dr.L..1630
Dillon, J.....1652
Duering, R.....1716
Duncan, J.....1668
Edberg, R.....1954
Edelstein, H.....1992
Edmondson, E.....1776
Edwards, L.....1450
Ellington, M.....1502
Emory, R.....1576

Ercolini, J.....1528
Erickson, C.....1882
Ewell, D.....1740
Fahn, S.....1652
Falconer, V.....1448
Farly, G.....2078
Farris, R.....1430
Feldmanis, A....1750
Fine, L.....1444
Finnegan, R.....1408
Flohr, E.....1936
Foley, P.....1840
Foreman, B.....1774
Fournier, R.....1668
Frandy, M.....1542
Frazier, G.....1786
Fuller, L.....1704
Gaines, Dr.W....1612
Gall, C.....1864
Garcia, G.....1696
Gartenhaus, S...2052
Gershenson, M...1664
Getz, W.....1560
Gieger, R.....1816
Goodwin, R.....1810
Gorshe, D.....1540
Gottlieb, F.....1828
Gross, Dr.B.....1828
Grosz, M.....1504
Guiliani, D.....1582
Guinasso, N.....1928
Guzman, R.....1780
Gwinn, W.....1322
Haines, W.....1812
Hardy, D.....1740
Hathway, C.....1542
Hatschek, Dr.O..1392
Hechter, H.....1578
Helmers, W.....1596
Henderson, H....1546
Hendricks, W....2124
Henry, J.....1658

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Hill, ...1550
Hill, L.....1662
Hindman, E.....1884
Hirsch, F.....1572
Hitchcock, H.....1550
Hofvendahl, R.....1558
Holden, H.....1762
Holman, R.....1436
Holmboe, M.....1570
Hoppe, R.....1744
Horowitz, M.....1468
House, C.....1548
Horvath, A.....1626
Hufnagel, D.....1370
Huncke, C.....1808
Hurley, J.....1500
Hursch, J.....2002
Hutch, Dr.J.....1594
Igra, Dr.L.....1662
Imbuelton, S.....1480
Ingram, L.....1578
Isley, Q.....1508
Jacob, J.....1940
Jacobson, D.....1762
Jacoby, R.....1542
Jolly, F.....1490
Joplin, S.....1868
Joplin, W.....1718
Kalmins, J.....1806
Kameny, Dr.L.....1610
Kennedy, E.....1552
Kilker, S.....1626
King, H.....1998
Kirk, B.....1366
Kline, H.....1504
Knack, A.....1778
Koenig, W.....1344
Kondratief, A.....1790
Koeft, J.....1424
Kupka, Dr.E.....1806
LaBrash, G.....1696
Ladd, L.....1556
Lamon, R.....1678
Landfair, W.....2064
LaPlaca, R.....1728
Larson, M.....1680
Lasich, J.....1496
Leddy, F.....1806
Ledgerwood, L....2120
Leonard, L.....1512
Lieberman, J.....1654
Lisker, W.....1686
Loewy, H.....1950
Loney, C.....1640
Lund, R.....1674
Lusk, G.....1526
Lytton, A.....1510
MacGregor, E.....1558
MacNeill, A.....1704
McFadden, M.....1702
McGinley, C.....1752
McLeod, D.....1910
McLeod, N.....1768
McWilliams, F....1408
Maguire, J.....1748
Maier, W.....1534
Mahan, T.....1922
Maloney, R.....1424
Manahan, C.....1700
Mann, R.....1540
Marcovich, J.....1380
Marmour, J.....1890
Mathison, J.....1442
Moi, ...1420
Michaels, P.....1472
Miller, W.....1732
Mingus, W.....1692
Mitchell, V.....1634
Montfort, W.....1804
Moreno, R.....1476
Morey, N.....1696
Morgan, I.....1516
Morison, H.....1766
Morrison, S.....1646
Morrison, T.....1780
Moyer, W.....1476
Muller, M.....1648
Mulligan, Maj.P..1478
Murphy, R.....1582
Murray, R.....1506
Myerson, D.....1840
Nance, D.....1270
Nekvasil, M.....1802
Nelson, D.....1480
Nelson, W.....1632
Newcomer, N.....1544
Nielson, P.....1848
Nolte, J.....1690
Nygren, R.....1420
Ogilvie, D.....1718
Oliwiecki, A....1532
Olvera, F.....1740
Osternig, L.....1724
Parker, W.....1636
Partansky, A....1658
Parvu, A.....1672
Pattullo, W.....1690
Pearson, R.....1706
Perry, L.....1628
Peterson, G.....1624
Phillips, D.....1510
Plock, R.....2012
Post, L.....1632
Powers, J.....1564
Pritchard, C....1600
Radinsky, C.....1600
Railey, I.....1642
Ramirez, G.....2216
Ramirez, J.....1544
Rawley, W.....1476
Raynal, E.....1434
Rebold, W.....1770
Rexinger, J.....1552
Reynolds, E.....1414
Reynolds, J.....1826
Rivera, M.....1388
Robinson, Dr.J..1560
Romander, E.....1790
Rosenstein, Dr.I.1598
Rupp, E.....1784
Russell, E.....1532
Ryan, D.....1704
Sabin, M.....1302
Sada, M.....1934
Sacre, H.....1526
Salatko, V.....1532
Salo, E.....1628
Sarafian, L.....1512

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Scheuerman, J.....1920
Schmerl, J.....1878
Schroth, C.....1962
Schwartz, M.....1594
Seavey, W.....1482
Shapiro, S.....1600
Sheena, A.....1462
Simanis, E.....1900
Slocum, L.....1558
Smith, Jim.....1688
Smith, J.B.....1594
Smith, Ted.....1568
Smook, G.....1660
Smook, R.....2038
Snavely, T.....1578
Spears, W.....1400
Spitz, C.....1476
Stegman, P.....1362
Steiner, H.....1478
Stenner, R.....1628
Stevens, W.....1912
Stichka, J.....1894
Strong, J.....2044
Sutherland, D.....1444
Taggart, D.....1934
Talcott, L.....2008
Taylor, P.....1676
Thacker, R.....1920
Thackwell, H.....1628
Thomas, H.....1774
Thresh, Bud.....1538
Thresh, E.....1428
Tobin, Dr.J.....1550
Tobin, R.....1506
Tomori, L.....1882
Toyama, F.....1520
Trenbeth, R.....1998
Tripodes, G.....1374
Tripodes, T.....1786
Tsumori, E.....1516
Tullis, L.....1384
Turner, A.....1790
Turner, L.....1804
Turner, R.....1596
Udman, S.....1686
VanGelder, S.....1944
VanTielen, J.....1710
Vargas, E.....1648
Wang, A.....1816
Ward, E.....1588
Weiser, J.....1432
Wells, M.....1726
Wetzel, P.....1674
Wheeler, C.....1508
Wheeler, L.....1610
Whisler, W.....2026
White, L.....1400
Wiebe, R.....1684
Williams, W.....1516
Willis, A.....1804
Willis, D.....1642
Willis, R.....1700
Wilson, C.....1532
Wolff, W.....1692
Wolfson, L.....1814
Wong, B.....1546
Worth, N.....1400
Wuershing, J.....1662
Yaeger, E.....1884
Yaggie, E.....1870
Zeiler, B.....2088
Zucker, S.....1476

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TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR'S NOTES!!!!

The Winter Schedule of C.F.N.C. is concluding with great enthusiasm. MORPHY KED took the Peninsula League, playing BOTVINNIK winner of the El Camino Real once to a draw and were then shaded out the second round. OAKLAND BYRNE victor in the Sequoia League defeated top team BERKELEY of the Walnut League by a score of 4 to 2. Each league winner is being awarded a trophy plus pins for

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*team members and a
*large C.F.N.C. prize is
*awaiting the CHAMPS
*of the Winter League
*1956-57.

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*SUMMER SCHEDULE!!!!!
*To stimulate interest
*the Sequoia and Wal-
*nut Leagues are being
*combined in the East
*Bay and Peninsula and
*El Camino Real Leagues
*in the West Bay for
*this summer. Games
*will get under way
*on June 13th and will
*terminate September
*26th. Trophies will
*be awarded for first
*and second places at
*the end of the Summer
*Schedule.
*If you are interested
*in playing with a club
*near your home please
*write the Tournament
*Director of C.F.N.C.
*William S. Stevens
*2005-35th Avenue
*San Francisco 16,
*California

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*LEST WE FORGET ---- *
*The East-West Match *
*will take place the *
*early part of Octo- *
*ber. Results to *
date: West Bay 1955,
East Bay 1956, 1957?
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*Why not plan to at- *
tend and support your
geographic location?

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CHESS IS A LIVELY SPORT IN THIS TOWN - Stroebeck, Germany

Once a year the town of Stroebeck can boast of more kings, queens and knights than any other place in Europe. This royalty isn't expected to be of the genuine stock, however, because the town of Stroebeck engages in a strange ritual.

The annual chess festival of this town requires that living chessmen play out a game.

Knights and bishops, along with all of the other "pieces" on a chessboard, assemble themselves in the town square and take their places for a game of chess that is to be played with human beings.

The huge square in which they play is sectioned off with different shades of marble so that a chessboard is easily recognizable.

The opposing teams take their positions, along with the men who act as castles (costumed in cardboard structures that resemble chopped up barrels), and the leaders of each team-the kings, of course, who direct their men into action.

Each team has its advisers who sit up in a tower overlooking the entire scene. When the move is decided, the king is notified and he, in turn, instructs his man.

The game board is too large for either king to survey from a ground position, so that to employ an adviser in a lofty place is considered fair play.

The king, of course, is seated on a throne that requires the aid of his men to move.

After the game, the entire village engages in a feast and celebration. The winning team doesn't get any special treatment, although the king is paraded around for a few minutes in a victory celebration.

The game of chess was introduced to the village of Stroebeck in the year 1011 by the Count of Gungekin, who now occupies a place of honor in this Harz mountain community.

As the story goes, the Count was imprisoned in the village tower for some now forgotten reason. To pass away the time he carved a set of chessmen and played his right hand against his left.

The guards, who always spent their time playing games anyway, took an interest in what he was doing and learned the game. They, in turn, taught it to their families.

The game took such a grip on the town that the idea of using human chessmen in the town square was devised. Today, chess is part of the school curriculum in Stroebeck.

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SPECIAL ATTENTION

THE SUMMER LEAGUE IS TO BE PLAYED ACCORDING TO THE NEW RATINGS.

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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN TIME AND GET YOUR FRIENDS TO JOIN CHESS FRIENDS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA.

SEND YOUR DUES TO MRS. ANNA LUND, 3361 MILDRED LANE, LAFAYETTE, CAL.

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Assistant Editor
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JUNIOR CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE UNITED STATES

Co-Sponsored by the USCF & CFNC.

ELIGIBILITY: All players who have not reached the age of 20 on or before July 14, 1957.

PLACE: Auditorium of the Spreckels-Russel Dairy Company, 1717 Mission Street.

TYPE: At least 7 Swiss. First round starts Monday, July 8, at 1 p.m.. Last-minute entries will be accepted until 12:30 p.m. at the regristration desk in tournament hall.

ENTRY FEE: USCF Membership, $5.00. The first 20 out-of-state entries will receive free housing. There is a possibility that the next 30 in line may also receive free housing. An appeal is made to all chess players and clubs to forward donations to the Chess for Youth Fund, 286 Fourth Street, San Francisco, and thus help in the good cause of chess promotion. All donations, no matter how small, will be acknowledged.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: International Chess Master George Koltanowski.

PRIZES: A large number of special valuable merchandise prizes, trophies and books will be given.

EQUIPMENT. Players are urged to bring chess sets, boards and especially clocks.

Those who intend to participate in the tournament should forward their entries right away to the secretary, Chess for Youth Committee, 286 Fourth Street, San Francisco.

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SONOMA CHESS FESTIVAL

The seventh annual Chess Festival will take place on the Plaza in Sonoma on Sunday, July 21, 1957. It will be dedicated this year to H. A. (Hutch) Whitehead, who has helped promote the yearly festival since its inception.

There will be a short tournament from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. consisting of 3 games, which may start as late as 2 p.m. and which count if all 3 games are played.

Entry fee up to and including July 17: $1.50.

Late entry: $2.50.

Simultaneous exhibition at 3 p.m. Fee: $1.00 if in the Festival and $2.00 if not playing in the Festival.

Bring Family and Friends, picnic on the Plaza and play chess! Numerous trophies, books and merchandise prizes.

Send your entry to Mrs. Lois McVEIGH, Secretary Sonoma Valley Chamber of Commerce, Sonoma, California, state which class you care to play in: Expert-A, B, C, Women or Junior (up to 14 and under).

SONOMA CHESS FESTIVAL has become the Mecca of Northern California Chess Fans!

Last year 213 players participated...don't miss the greatest Chess Event of the year!

Tournament Director: International Chess Master George Koltanowski.

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PROBLEM CORNER

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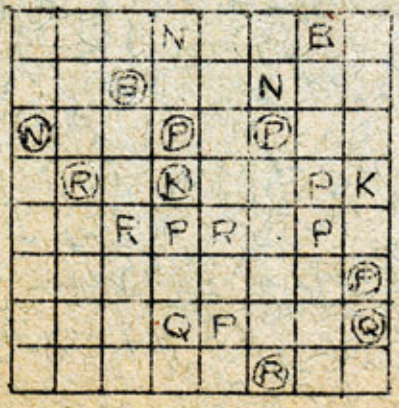
Herbert Holden

Not too many solutions were received for last issues problems. The solutions were #1.Q-N1 and #2.N-R1. Problem #1 was another star-flight theme because of the pattern of flight squares of the black king and #2 was a monochrome echo (the similar mates with the king standing on the same color squares in both mates).

Problem #5 will introduce another type of popular theme. In this issues problems the black pieces are circled, the white ones aren't.

All correspondence concerning problems should be sent to Herbert Holden, 420 Lake Street, San Francisco 18, California.

#5 Mate in 2 - 8 points



#6 Mate in 3 - 6 points

